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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

BRIAN M. KENNEDY

Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING ATP

Assistant Commissioner

for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant respectfully requests, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 form, and previously cited in U.S. Application Serial No. 08/491,167, filed June 16, 1995 by Brian M. Kennedy and entitled "System and Method for Managing ATP," be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified continuation patent application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of these references are not being furnished. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(h), no representation is made that these references qualify as prior art or that these references are material to the patentability of the present application.

Moreover, Applicant hereby expressly reserves the right to swear behind the effective date of any of the Patents and to question the relevance and materiality of the Patents, in whole, or in part or in combination, subsequent to filing this Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicant therefore respectfully submits that the claims of Applicant's above-referenced patent application are patentably distinguishable from these references.

Respectfully submitted,
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